PROCESSING AND SUBMITTING SAMPLES FOR THE FOODSTUFFS MONITORING PROGRAM

Purpose

This Meteorology and Air Quality Group (MAQ) procedure describes the methods of processing soil, foodstuffs (produce, eggs, milk, honey, fish, and game animals), and nonfoodstuffs (vegetation, mice, bees, birds) and submitting all samples to a laboratory for analysis.

Scope

This procedure applies to the individual(s) assigned to processing samples as part of the Soil, Foodstuffs, and Biota Monitoring Program.

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General information about this procedure

Attachments

This procedure has the following attachments:

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1	Hazard Review	2
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History of revision

This table lists the revision history and effective dates of this procedure.

Revision	Date	Description Of Changes	
0	10/4/96	New document.	
1	3/99	Reformatted in accordance with LIR300-00-01,	
		Safe Work Practices.	
2	4/01	Added new Section 9.0, Training.	
3	4/02	Change in directorate.	
4	4/03	Team name change to Environmental Surveillance.	
5	7/13/04	Updated and reformatted document to conform with	
		MAQ procedures.	
6	11/20/04	Add instructions for oven temperature setting and	
		ventilation, added HR to replace HCP.	

Who requires training to this procedure?

The following personnel require training before implementing this procedure: MAQ personnel assigned to process and submit samples to an analytical laboratory for analysis.

Training method

The training method for this procedure is **on-the-job** training by a previously-trained individual and is documented in accordance with the procedure for training (MAQ-024).

Annual retraining is required and will be by self-study ("reading") training.

Prerequisites

In addition to training to this procedure, the following training is also required prior to performing this procedure:

- First Aid
- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)

General information, continued

Definitions specific to this procedure

<u>Foodstuffs</u>: produce (fruits, vegetables, and grains), fish (surface feeders and bottom feeders), eggs, milk, honey, and game animals.

Nonfoodstuffs: vegetation, mice, bees, and birds.

<u>Produce</u>: any fruit, vegetable, and/or grain that could be consumed directly from a garden or an orchard after simple washing.

Soil: Surface soil includes material down to 5-cm (0- to 2-in.) depth.

<u>Composite sample</u>: Samples composed of the five sub-samples taken from an area.

References

The following documents are referenced in this procedure:

- MAQ-024, "Personnel Training"
- MAQ-026, "Deficiency Reporting and Correcting"
- MAQ-Field, "General Field Safety All Employees"

Note

Actions specified within this procedure, unless preceded with "should" or "may," are to be considered mandatory guidance (i.e., "shall").

Worker Safety

Precautions and limitations

This document establishes the basic requirements for processing samples and applies to all personnel performing laboratory procedures described in this document. Work performed under this procedure by LANL personnel will occur only after required training to applicable documents has been completed and documented.

Safe work practices requirements

<u>Personal Protective Equipment</u> - For processing samples, the following personal protective equipment must be worn: safety glasses, safety shoes, lab coat, rubber gloves, cut-resistant (Kevlar) gloves when using knife, and face shield when cutting up game samples.

<u>Do not</u> perform work under conditions you consider unsafe. Before beginning work described in this procedure, review safety needs and requirements, identify hazards, and develop hazard mitigation measures.

Equipment Needed

Equipment needed

The following equipment is required for preparing and processing samples for analysis:

- cutting boards, knives, and cut-resistant (Kevlar) gloves
- face shield
- balance
- glass beakers (50-mL, 100-mL, 1-L, and 2-L volumes; one for each sample)
- aluminum foil
- hot-mitts/pot holders
- hot plate
- watch glass (one for each tritium sample)
- plastic wrap (e.g., Saran wrapTM)
- ice cubes
- small paper bags (*i.e.*, lunch bags; one for each sample)
- Wiley mill with a 40-mm screen
- drying and ashing ovens
- polyethylene bottles (20-mL and 500-mL volumes; one for each sample)
- zip-lock bags (gallon size) and labeling pens
- chain-of-custody tape
- laboratory notebook
- blue ice
- insulated coolers for shipping

Processing samples for tritium analysis

Preparing samples for tritium analysis

If samples are not frozen, prepare samples for tritium analysis within two days of collection by following the steps below.

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face mass bone. Mu	nner Kevlar gloves to protect against cuts. Wear a face shield avy rubber gloves to protect against blood-borne pathogens. It remove the skin and discard at the Los Alamos landfill. Wear ask when cutting up game samples. Remove the muscle from the Muscle, bone, and organ samples will be processed according to be procedures, but will remain as separate samples.			

Steps continued on next page.

Processing samples for tritium analysis, continued

Step	Action			
Game	Game Animals (continued)			
2	Assign ID numbers to samples, and label 1-L and 2-L beakers, polybottles, and bags with these numbers. Label larger bags, used for submitting samples, with sample location, date, time, and then initial.			
3	Place samples in a 1-L sample beaker as described in Step 1 of the following chapter <i>Processing samples for tritium analysis</i> .			
Veget	ation			
1	Separate collected vegetation by variety, assembling composite samples of each type of vegetation. Cut or break vegetation into smaller pieces to facilitate handling.			
2	Assign ID numbers to samples, and label 1-L and 2-L beakers, polybottles, and bags with these numbers. Label larger bags, used for submitting samples, with sample location, date, time, and then initial.			
3 Mice	Wear inner Kevlar gloves to protect against cuts. Remove a subsample (approximately one-third) of vegetation from each composite and place in 1-L sample beakers as described in Step 1 of the following chapter <i>Processing samples for tritium analysis</i> . bees, and birds			
1	Assign ID numbers to samples, and label 1-L and 2-L beakers, polybottles, and bags with these numbers. Label larger bags, used for submitting samples, with sample location, date, time, and then initial.			
2	Place complete carcass in 1-L sample beakers as described in Step 1 of the following chapter <i>Processing samples for tritium analysis</i> .			

Processing samples for tritium analysis

To process samples in preparation for tritium analysis, follow the steps below (refer to Attachment 3 for schematic of setup). The same process is used for produce, fish, game animals, vegetation, mice, bees, and birds.

Step	Action		
1	Place a 100-mL beaker upside-down in the center of a 1L sample		
	beaker, with a 50-mL beaker right-side-up on top of it. Then place		
	samples in the beaker. Refer to Schematic of Distillation Setup		
	(Attachment 3).		
2	Clean the table top with soap and water after the dissecting of the		
	samples. Follow with diluted bleach to ensure (pathogen)		
	contamination control.		
3	Cover the top of the large beaker with a watch glass and seal with		
	plastic wrap.		

Processing steps continued on next page.

Processing samples for tritium analysis, continued

Step	Action			
4	To aid in condensation of the water sample, fill a beaker with ice and			
	place it on top of the watch glass.			
5	Don safety glasses, lab coat, and heavy rubber gloves.			
	Place the sample on a hot plate, warming at a low temperature until			
	water begins to condense on the watch glass. Be certain that the			
	condensation drips into the 50-mL sampling beaker.			
	CAUTION!! Hot plate and glassware will become hot! Use care			
	when handling these items.			
6	Collect about 10mL of distillate from each sample, and carefully place			
	sample into labeled 20-mL polyethylene bottles.			
7	Seal each bottle with chain-of-custody tape, and record each sample on			
	the appropriate chain-of-custody form.			
8	Place all tritium samples and the chain-of-custody form into a labeled			
	zip-lock bag and refrigerate. Maintain chain-of-custody on the samples			
	(see chapter Chain-of-Custody for Samples) until they are submitted to			
	Paragon Analytics, Inc., Fort Collins, CO.			

Processing samples for heavy metals analysis

Preparing and processing samples for heavy metals analysis

Preparing and Produce and vegetation are processed using the same method and stored dry. Fish and game animals are processed using the same method and frozen.

Step	Action			
Produ	Produce and vegetation			
1	Produce Remove approximately 100g (fresh weight) of produce from each composite and rinse as though being washed for human consumption. Pat the produce dry with paper towels, and cut it into pieces to facilitate oven drying. Place samples into labeled paper bags. Vegetation Remove approximately 100 g (fresh weight) of vegetation from each composite of each type of vegetation and cut or break vegetation into smaller pieces to facilitate oven drying Place individual samples into labeled paper bags.			
2	Place paper bags into ovens and dry the samples in the beakers at about 75°C a minimum of 48 hours, or up to 5 days for certain sample types.			
3	After initial drying, weigh the samples to the nearest 0.01g. Continue drying and weighing the beakers each day until sample weights are constant (+10%) in two successive weighings—samples are dry.			
4	Remove the samples from the oven, and grind each through a 40mm screen using the Wiley mill. Wear safety glasses, lab coat, and heavy rubber gloves when using mill. CAUTION: Do not operate mill unless you have received personal instruction from a previously trained group member.			
5	Place ground samples into labeled 20-mL polyethylene bottles, and then seal the bottles with chain-of-custody tape.			
6	Place the sealed bottles into a labeled zip-lock bag			
7	Record all samples on a chain-of-custody form (Attachment 2), and maintain proper chain-of-custody on the samples until submitted to the analytical laboratory. See chapter <i>Chain-of-custody for samples</i> .			

Steps continued on next page.

Processing samples for heavy metals analysis, continued

Step	Action			
Fish and game animals				
1	<u>Fish</u>			
	Clean and rinse five fish with water.			
	Game Animals			
	Thoroughly wash muscle, bone, and organs to remove excess			
	blood and/or debris. (Wear face mask when cutting up game			
	samples.) Use paper towels to pat-dry.			
2	<u>Fish</u>			
	Remove a 10-g (fresh weight) sample of meat from each of the			
	five individual fish.			
	Game Animals			
	Remove a 10-g (fresh weight) sample of muscle, bone, or organ			
3	Put samples into individually labeled zip-lock plastic bags and place			
	in freezer. Keep samples frozen until submitted to analytical			
	laboratory.			
4	Record all samples on a chain-of-custody form (Attachment 2), and			
	maintain proper chain-of-custody on the samples until submitted to			
	the analytical laboratory (Paragon Analytical, Inc., Ft Collins, CO).			
	See chapter <i>Chain-of-custody for samples</i> .			
5	Clean the table top with soap and water after the dissecting of the			
	game and fish tissue. Follow with diluted bleach to ensure (pathogen)			
	contamination control.			

Processing samples for radiochemical analysis

Processing samples for radiochemical analysis Prepare radiochemistry samples from produce, fish, game animals, vegetation, mice, and birds (except for the fish collected specifically for organics analysis). The minimum ash weight for submittal to the analytical laboratory is 5g, which takes about 500g wet weight.

CAUTION!! During drying and ashing procedures, ovens and glassware will become hot! Allow equipment and samples to cool before handling.

1 Prepare the sample beakers by weighing the 2-L beaker to dete			
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the tare weight and record this value in the laboratory notebook	k.		
2 Place ~ 500 to 2,000g of produce, fish, game animal (muscle, l	Place ~ 500 to 2,000g of produce, fish, game animal (muscle, bone, or		
organ meat), vegetation, mice, and birds into labeled 2-L tared			
and weigh to the nearest 0.01g to determine gross weight. Spli	t a large		
sample into two beakers to serve as replicates for analysis.			
Record the fresh weight of the samples (subtract the tare weight	ht from		
the gross weight) in the laboratory notebook.			
4 To dry the samples, cover each beaker with vented aluminum	foil		
(poke holes) and place in the drying oven. Carefully note the			
placement-order of the beakers in the lab notebook.			
5 Dry the samples in the beakers at about 75°C a minimum of 48	8 hours,		
or up to 5 days for certain sample types.			
6 After initial drying, weigh the samples to the nearest 0.01g. Co			
drying and weighing the beakers each day until sample weight			
constant (+10%) in two successive weighings—samples are dr			
Remove dry samples from the oven and weigh them to the near			
0.01g. Subtract the original tare weight from this gross weight			
calculate the dry weight of each produce sample. Enter this date	ta in the		
laboratory notebook.			
8 To ash the samples, place samples in the ashing oven, <u>carefully</u>			
<u>placement of beakers</u> , and ash the samples for 5 days. During a	-		
raise the temperature step-wise from 75°C to 500°C to avoid ex	-		
combustion of the organic materials in the early stages of the p	process.		
See chapter Operating the drying/ashing oven.	1 1		
9 After ashing is complete (sample should look white) and samp			
cooled, reweigh the samples to the nearest 0.01g. Calculate ash	_		
by subtracting tare weights from gross ash-weights. Record all calculations in the laboratory notebook.	i data alid		
10 Transfer each ash sample to a 500-mL polyethylene bottle and	l labal tha		
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Seal the bottles with chain-of-custody tape and record all samp	nles on a		
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custody on the samples until submitted to the analytical labora			
(Paragon Analytics, Inc.). See chapter <i>Chain-of-custody for sa</i> .	•		

Operating the drying/ashing oven

Inform of planned hood operation

Before any planned use of the ovens, notify building personnel via an email message.

hood ventilation

Turn on room Any time the oven is in use, turn on the fans for the fume hoods in the room to achieve from 100-150 ft/min.

Turn on oven and set safety temperature

Turn on oven main switch and press buttons to select desired temperature. Set the safety temperature setting approximately 25° above the desired temperature setting given below.

Warning

Increasing the temperature too rapidly can result in too much smoke or a fire.

Tracking sample processing

Keep records in the log book about the processing and temperature level reached for each sample. Log the temperature level each sample has reached and do not exceed the rate of temperature increase shown in the table below.

Cool-down

Never shut off the power switch when temperature is above 300 – this will cause damage to the fan bearings.

To turn off oven, reduce the temperature setting to below 300 and allow the oven to cool to below 300. Turn off power switch.

Step-wise temperature increase

Follow the chart below to safely increase the temperature to dry and ash sample materials:

Step	Temperature	Time	Oven vent
DRYING	75	min.of 48hrs (or when no	Open
		further weight loss is recorded)	
ASHING	150	4 hrs	Open
	175	4 hrs	open
	200°	8 hrs	3/4 open
	200-275°	25° every 4 hrs	3/4 open
	275-325°	25° every 4 hrs.	½ open
	400°	8 hrs	½ open
	500°	3-4 days	closed

Processing samples for organics analysis

Preparing fish samples for organics analysis

Preparing fish Fish samples for organics analysis must be kept cool.

Step	Action
1	Rinse and weigh the whole fish and record weight in laboratory
	notebook. Do not skin. Leave head and tail attached.
2	Complete Sample Location and Fish Physical Characteristics Form
	(Attachment 4) after weighing and measuring fish.
3	Gut and separate viscera (organs, fatty deposit). If necessary, combine
	subsamples of viscera to meet minimum sample quantity requirements.
	Weigh the viscera and record weight in laboratory notebook.
4	Put fish in pre-labeled amber screw-top jars and place in refrigerator or
	freezer until submitted to analytical laboratory.
5	Record all samples on a chain-of-custody form (Attachment 2), and
	maintain proper chain-of-custody on the samples until submitted to the
	analytical laboratory (Paragon Analytics, Inc.). See chapter Chain-of-
	custody for samples

Collecting honey, milk, and eggs

Sample collection

Honey, milk, and eggs do not require field work. Samples are purchased from honey producers and from farmers.

Equipment needed

The following equipment is required for collecting milk and egg samples:

- ice chest with ice
- large zip-loc bags
- marker for labeling bags
- chain-of-custody forms (Attachment 2) and tape

Honey

Honey producers bring honey in glass jars directly to the laboratory at TA-21, Bldg. 210. Perform the following steps to prepare samples for submittal to the analytical laboratory.

Step	Action
1	Seal jars with chain-of-custody tape.
2	Record all samples on a chain-of-custody form (Attachment 2), and
	maintain proper chain-of-custody on the samples until submitted to the
	analytical laboratory. See chapter <i>Chain-of-custody for samples</i> .

Milk sample locations

Milk is collected (purchased) from several farmers raising goats in the Los Alamos and White Rock areas and from the Albuquerque area. Locations vary from year to year depending on availability of goats. Milk will be analyzed for various radionuclides and local milk is compared to milk produced from Albuquerque, NM.

Number of samples

The approximate number of samples collected at perimeter locations is two and one from regional locations.

Steps to prepare milk samples for submittal

Perform the following steps to prepare samples for submittal to the analytical laboratory.

Step	Action
1	Collect (purchase) a 1-gallon sample of milk and place in cooler with
	ice for transport back to laboratory.
2	Complete a chain-of-custody form (Attachment 2) and maintain proper
	chain-of-custody on the samples until submitted to the analytical
	laboratory. See chapter Chain-of-custody for samples.

Steps continued on next page.

Collecting honey, milk, and eggs, continued

S	Step	Action
	3	Seal the bottles/jars with chain-of-custody tape. Place samples on ice
		or in refrigerator until submitted to the analytical laboratory.

Eggs

<u>Sample Locations</u> - Eggs are collected in the summer from the closest free-ranging chicken facility in perimeter areas (e.g., Los Alamos, White Rock/Pajarito Acres, and/or San Ildefonso) and from regional background areas (Española, Santa Fe, or Jemez). Actual locations will vary from year to year depending on availability of eggs.

Number of samples

Two dozen samples are collected at each perimeter and regional location

Steps to prepare samples for submittal

Perform the following steps to prepare samples for submittal to the analytical laboratory

Step	Action
1	Collect two dozen eggs directly from the producer (farmer); eggs are
	usually placed in egg cartons.
2	Place cartons in labeled plastic bags (date, location, and sample
	number), and pack on ice for transport back to the laboratory.
	Complete a chain-of-custody form (Attachment 2) with the appropriate
	sampling information.
3	Once at the lab, seal the cartons with chain-of-custody tape, and store
	the eggs on ice or in a refrigerator and maintain proper chain-of-
	custody on the samples until they are submitted to the analytical
	laboratory for analysis (normally within two working days). See
	chapter Chain-of-custody for samples.

Sample Processing

No processing is required for honey, milk, and egg samples. Samples are shipped to Paragon Analytics, Inc. following the steps in the next chapter *Submitting the Samples*.

Submitting the samples

Submitting samples for analysis

Submit all samples for tritium, heavy metal, radiochemical, and organic analyses to Paragon Analytics, Inc., Ft. Collins, CO, using the following steps.

Step	Action						
1	Place all samples in unsealed insulated coolers:						
	 Pack dry samples (including ground produce and soils) in a 						
	cooler without ice.						
	 Pack refrigerated samples (liquid and eggs) and frozen samples 						
	in a cooler with blue ice.						
2	Request the following analyses on the appropriate chain-of-custody						
	forms (see Attachment 2):						
	 analysis of tritium content; reported in pCi/L of moisture 						
	• analysis of the following heavy metals: Ag, As, Be, Cd, Cr, Hg,						
	Ni, Pb, Sb, Se, Tl, and Zn (plus the others on EPA's Target						
	Analyte List); reported in μg/g (dry weight)						
	• analysis of the following radionuclides: strontium-90, isotopic						
	uranium, cesium-137, plutonium-238, plutonium-239/240, and						
	americium-241; reported in pCi/g (dry weight)						
3	Place the bags containing the sealed and labeled bottles or egg cartons						
	and the chain-of-custody form into a cooler (each medium in its own						
	cooler.						
4	Fill out a Shipping Manifest (Laboratory form 1768) with appropriate						
	information.						
5	Take unsealed cooler(s) and properly filled out Shipping Manifest						
	(Laboratory form 1768) to the procurement specialist at the Pueblo						
	Complex. The procurement specialist must sign the shipping manifest.						
6	Take unsealed cooler(s) and the properly signed Shipping Manifest to						
	LANL's Shipping & Receiving office at TA-3, Bldg. 30. Shipping						
	personnel will inspect the contents of the coolers and then seal and ship						
	them to Paragon Analytics, Inc., Ft. Collins, CO.						

Dispose of waste materials

Take all left-over waste foodstuffs and animal parts directly to the County Landfill. Do not dispose in dumpsters at TA-21.

Chain-of-custody for samples

Maintaining custody of samples

A sample is physical evidence collected from a facility or the environment. Chain-of-custody must be documented for all samples used to demonstrate compliance. Verify that the possession and handling of samples is traceable at all times. A sample is considered in custody if it is one of the following:

- In one's physical possession.
- In one's view after being in one's physical possession.
- In one's physical possession and then locked up so that no one can tamper with it.
- Kept in a secure area where access is restricted to authorized and accountable personnel only.

NOTE: A secured area is an area that is locked, such as a room, cooler, vehicle, or refrigerator. If the area cannot be secured by locking, use a custody seal to secure the area or the sample container.

Transferring custody of samples

Whenever samples are transferred into the custody of another person or organization, complete the "relinquished by/received by" and "date" sections of the form (Attachment 2). These sections of the form must provide a complete history of custody of the samples from collection to transfer to the analytical laboratory.

If chain-ofcustody is broken

Whenever there is a break in the chain of custody of a sample, document the failure by initiating a deficiency report in accordance with the procedure for deficiencies (MAQ-026). [The deficiency process will document the occurrence, evaluate the potential impact (if any) on the samples, and propose a fix to prevent recurrence.]

Records resulting from this procedure

Records

The following records generated as a result of this procedure are to be submitted **within three weeks of shipment** as records to the records coordinator:

- Chain-of-custody record
- Copy of Shipping Manifest

HAZARD REVIEW

Work tasks/Steps	Hazards, Concerns, and Potential accidents; Likelihood/ Severity	Controls, Preventive Measures (e.g., safety equipment, administrative controls, etc.)	Hazard Level from IMP 300-00-00 Hazard Grading Matrix
Steps to process samples in chapter Processing samples for organics analysis: use electrical appliances such as hot plates	Burns from hot surfaces (occasional / moderate = low)	Wear safety glasses, lab coat, and rubber gloves. Be familiar with the operator's manuals for each piece of equipment.	Low
Handle hot glassware when removing from ovens or hot plates	Hot glass (occasional / moderate = low)	Use hot mits when handling hot equipment or parts.	Low
Handle hot glassware – breakage is possible	Broken glass edges can cause cuts (occasional / moderate = low)	Wear safety glasses, lab coat, and cut- resistant (Kevlar) gloves	Low
Process samples in steps in chapter Processing samples for tritium analysis	Splattering of hot water (occasional / moderate = low)	Wear safety glasses, lab coat, and heavy rubber gloves.	Low
Turn on oven and raise temperature (steps in chapter <i>Operating the drying/ashing oven</i>	Smoke and smell can cause irritation to other building residents (occasional / moderate = low)	Ensure hood fan is turned on to create negative pressure in lab room – any time oven is to be used.	Low
Steps to dry and ash samples in chapter Operating the drying/ashing oven	Burns from hot surfaces of drying and ashing ovens (occasional / moderate = low)	Use hot-mitts or pot holders when working with the ovens, hot plates, or hot beakers.	Low
Grind samples using the Wiley Mill in chapter <i>Processing samples for heavy metal analysis</i>	The Wiley Mill (remote / negligible = minimal)	Receive instruction on use of mill. Wear safety glasses, lab coat, and heavy rubber gloves. Be familiar with the operator's manual.	Low

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Work tasks/Steps	Hazards, Concerns, and Potential accidents; Likelihood/ Severity	Controls, Preventive Measures (e.g., safety equipment, administrative controls, etc.)	Hazard Level from IMP 300-00-00 Hazard Grading Matrix
Cut and process samples in steps in chapters <i>Processing samples for tritium analysis</i> and <i>Processing samples for heavy metal analysis</i>	Use of knives (improbable / moderate = minimal)	When knives are being used, wear cut- resistant (Kevlar) gloves to prevent injuries	Low
Cut and process samples in steps in chapter <i>Processing samples for tritium analysis</i>	Ergonomic injuries (repetitive motion) (remote / negligible = low)	Take a short break every hour.	Low
Cut and process samples in steps in chapter <i>Processing samples for tritium analysis</i>	Exposure to potential blood-borne pathogens (improbable / critical = low)	Wear a face shield.	Low

Wastes or residual materials

Take all waste foodstuffs and animal parts directly to the County Landfill. Do not dispose in dumpsters at TA-21.

Emergency in event of control failure

For cuts and burns, perform First Aid as appropriate. Go to hospital for serious injuries. Go to HSR-2 for evaluation. actions to take Notify supervisor ASAP.

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SCHEMATIC OF DISTILLATION SETUP

For processing samples for tritium analysis

